

Minutes of a Regular Council Meeting of the
Village of Walton Hills, Ohio held Tuesday
September 15, 2015 at 6:15 p.m. in the
Village Hall Council Chambers at 7595 Walton Road

Mayor Hurst called the meeting to order and then led the Pledge of Allegiance. This was followed by a moment of silence for deceased residents who have passed since the last regular Council meeting and for the military men and women serving our country. Ms. Iaconis read the list of deceased residents (Dorothy Dooner, Elizabeth Meljac, Margaret Allen, Mary Sleeman, Henry Mroczka, Betty Sheeler, Linnie Komorowski, Charles Balog and Fern Conte). The roll call was taken by Ms. Iaconis. Councilpersons present were Denny Linville, Mary Brenner-Miller, Paul Rich, Gloria J. Terlosky, Don Kolograf and Brian Spitznagel. Also present were Katie Iaconis, Assistant Fiscal Officer, and Blair Melling, Solicitor.

Councilman Kolograf motioned to approve the regular Council meeting minutes of June 16, 2015, seconded by Councilwoman Terlosky, and six ayes approved. Councilman Kolograf motioned to approve the special Council meeting minutes of July 7, 2015, seconded by Councilman Linville. Vote: Ayes – Councilpersons Brenner-Miller, Rich, Terlosky, Kolograf and Linville. Abstain: Councilman Spitznagel. Councilwoman Brenner-Miller motioned to approve the special Council meeting minutes of September 1, 2015, seconded by Councilman Linville, and six ayes approved. Councilman Rich motioned to extend and renew the senior snowplow program with SharpScapes, Inc. for the winter of 2015-2016 at the same price as 2014-2015, seconded by Councilwoman Brenner-Miller, and six ayes approved. Councilman Kolograf motioned to receive and file the Council Caucus minutes of September 15, 2015 seconded by Councilwoman Terlosky, and six ayes approved.

PERSONS HAVING BUSINESS BEFORE COUNCIL: None

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Hurst reported that the Mayor's Court receipts year to date through June totaled \$140,824, through July totaled \$156,902, and through August totaled \$180,590. He reported that the Walton Hills Police Department wrote 167 tickets in August; the predominant violation was speed (47) followed by driving under suspension (22) and expired plates (20). He also reported that there were six OVIs in August, which is more than the Village has experienced in any given year. He stated that the reason court receipts have increased is because there is more traffic coming into the Village. He provided an update on the work being performed on Sagamore Road, which is on schedule to be completed by October 31, 2015. He discussed a preparedness certificate program that police, fire and dispatch personnel have been involved with and noted they will be presented with a plaque from the County at the Council meeting in October. He announced that every resident will be receiving a \$65 per year increase in their sewage and water bills.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Councilman Linville announced that he submitted a report to Council of a public meeting in Macedonia, and indicated that he would share the report with audience members. Councilwoman Brenner-Miller reported that the Village hayride would take place on October 3rd with a chili cook-off sponsored by the Women's Club. Councilman Rich reported on the Planning Commission meeting held July 21st to address the expansion of NPK. Councilman Kolograf commented that the traffic flow on Alexander / Northfield Road has improved over the last few days. Councilman Spitznagel asked for an update on the Egbert Road bridge project. Mayor Hurst provided an update.

LEGISLATION:

Ordinance No. 2015-3, an Ordinance amending the Village of Walton Hills Board of Tax Review, and declaring an emergency, was introduced for suspension by Councilman Terlosky, seconded by Councilman Spitznagel, and six ayes approved. Councilwoman Terlosky motioned to adopt Ordinance No. 2015-3, seconded by Councilman Rich, and six ayes approved.

Ordinance No. 2015-4, an Ordinance establishing Chapter 893 of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Walton Hills providing for an excise tax on lodging, and declaring an emergency, was introduced for suspension by Councilman Kolograf, seconded by Councilman Linville, and six ayes approved. Councilman Kolograf motioned to adopt Ordinance No. 2015-4, seconded by Councilman Linville, and six ayes approved.

Resolution No. 2015-25, a Resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor, and declaring an emergency, was introduced for suspension by Councilman Spitznagel, seconded by Councilwoman Brenner-Miller. Councilman Spitznagel stressed that this is not a new tax. Vote taken, six ayes approved. Councilman Spitznagel motioned to adopt Resolution No. 2015-25, seconded by Councilman Rich, and six ayes approved.

Resolution No. 2015-26, a Resolution confirming Council's appointment of two members to the Board of Tax Review in the Village of Walton Hills, Ohio, and declaring an emergency, was introduced for suspension by Councilman Linville, seconded by Councilwoman Brenner-Miller, and six ayes approved. Councilman Linville motioned to adopt Resolution No. 2015-26, seconded by Councilman Rich, and six ayes approved.

Resolution No. 2015-27, a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Associates in Lifestyle Management (ALM) to provide social work services to the residents of the Village, and declaring an emergency, was introduced for suspension by Councilwoman Brenner-Miller, seconded by Councilman Rich. Councilman Linville encouraged some accountability from the person hired to do this important work. Councilman Spitznagel thanked Councilman Linville for the comments he made on this issue at the last C.O.W. meeting. Vote taken, six ayes approved. Councilwoman Brenner-Miller motioned to adopt Resolution No. 2015-27, seconded by Councilman Rich, and six ayes approved.

Resolution No. 2015-28, a Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Fiscal Officer to pay Oakwood Village an amount not to exceed three hundred seventy thousand dollars for repairs and/or improvements to Alexander Road, and declaring an emergency, was introduced for suspension by Councilman Rich, seconded by Councilwoman Brenner-Miller, and six ayes approved. Councilman Rich motioned to adopt Resolution No. 2015-28, seconded by Councilman Linville. Councilman Linville stated it has been years since he has heard the word "change order" and he is proud that this does not happen any longer. Vote taken, six ayes approved.

Resolution No. 2015-29, a Resolution waiving the bid requirement of C.O. 230.06 and authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Toaz Construction, Inc. in an amount not to exceed twenty seven thousand three hundred fifty dollars for various repairs to Village property, and declaring an emergency, was introduced for suspension by Councilman Spitznagel, seconded by Councilman Linville. Councilman Linville reported that the state has authorized the approval of contracts up to \$50,000 without bids, but Mayor Hurst dropped that amount to \$25,000 for Walton Hills. Councilman Spitznagel stated although there was not a formal two-week bidding process, multiple bids were received. He stressed this much needed repair is to correct a safety hazard for police and prisoners. Vote taken, six ayes approved. Councilman Spitznagel motioned to adopt Resolution No. 2015-29, seconded by Councilman Linville, and six ayes approved.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Hurst discussed upcoming Village events.

Councilwoman Brenner-Miller motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilwoman Terlosky, and six ayes approved. The meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Katie Iaconis
Assistant Fiscal Officer